

Babies Need Vaccinations or “Shots” to Protect Against 10 Dangerous Diseases:

1. *Diphtheria*
2. *Tetanus*
3. *Pertussis*
4. *Polio*
5. *Measles*
6. *Mumps*
7. *Rubella (German measles)*
8. *Hepatitis B*
9. *Hib meningitis*
10. *Chickenpox (varicella)*

For Further Information from CDC

National Immunization
Information Hotline:

English-speaking: 1-800-232-2522

Spanish-speaking: 1-800-232-0233

Vaccine Adverse Events Reporting
System (VAERS): 1-800-822-7967

CDC National Immunization Program
Home Page:

<http://www.cdc.gov/nip>

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Each year, children who are not fully protected against these diseases become sick, and some die.

You can protect your children by taking them to a doctor or clinic for their shots. Babies need seven different kinds of shots by the time they are 2 years old. Some of the shots are given a few times. This will take about five visits to the doctor.

Don't Miss the Chance to Protect Your Baby

- Don't wait till your baby gets sick. Take the baby to a doctor or clinic for shots. Start when your baby is 2 months old.
- At each visit, discuss immunization with your doctor or other health care provider. Ask whether your baby is up to date on his or her shots.
- You will be given a card that lists the shots your baby gets. Keep this record in a safe place. Bring it with you every time you take your baby to the doctor.
- Ask the doctor when to come again for your baby's next shots. Write it down. Make an appointment.

- If you do not have a doctor, call the free hotlines to locate the nearest place to get shots. The numbers are 1-800-232-2522 (English) and 1-800-232-0233 (Spanish). Some children can get free shots if you cannot pay for them.

If your baby misses some shots, it may be possible to catch up. But if you wait too long, the protection will not be as strong.

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Make sure your children get all the shots they need.